

DECLARATION
Utility Application

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled TURBINE POWER PLANT HAVING MINIMAL-CONTACT BRUSH SEAL AUGMENTED LABYRINTH SEAL

_____, the specification of which

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- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☒ was filed on May 31, 1996 as
Application Serial No. 08/656,564
and was amended on _____
(if applicable)

I have read the applicable statutes and rules reprinted on the reverse side of this declaration which I understand to describe subject matter which is material under 37 CFR § 1.56(a).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a). I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Application Number	Country	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed	
			Yes/	No/
NONE				

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

Application Number	Date of Filing	Status — Patented, Pending or Abandoned
NONE		

37 CFR § 1.56 DUTY OF DISCLOSURE; FRAUD; STRIKING OR REJECTION OF APPLICATIONS.

(a) . . . Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned. . . . The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§ 1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98. However, no patent will be granted on an application in connection with which fraud on the Office was practiced or attempted or the duty of disclosure was violated through bad faith or intentional misconduct. . . .

Information relating to the following factual situations enumerated in 35 USC § 102 and § 103 below should be considered material under 37 CFR § 1.56(a).

35 U.S.C. § 102. CONDITIONS FOR PATENTABILITY; NOVELTY AND LOSS OF RIGHT TO PATENT.

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless —

- (a) The invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or
- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of the application for patent in the United States, or
- (c) he has abandoned the invention, or
- (d) the invention was first patented or caused to be patented, or was the subject of an inventor's certificate, by the applicant or his legal representatives or assigns in a foreign country prior to the date of the application for patent in this country on an application for patent or inventor's certificate filed more than twelve months before the filing of the application in the United States, or
- (e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the application for patent, or
- (f) he did not himself invent the subject matter sought to be patented, or
- (g) before the applicant's invention thereof the invention was made in this country by another who had not abandoned, suppressed, or concealed it. In determining priority of the invention there shall be considered not only the respective dates of conception and reduction to practice of the invention, but also the reasonable diligence of one who was first to conceive and last to reduce to practice, from a time prior to conception by the other.

35 U.S.C. § 103. CONDITIONS FOR PATENTABILITY; NON-OBVIOUS SUBJECT MATTER.

A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

35 U.S.C. § 119. BENEFIT OF EARLIER FILING DATE IN FOREIGN COUNTRY; RIGHT OF PRIORITY (Applicable Portion)

An application for patent for an invention filed in this country by any person who has, or whose legal representatives or assigns have, previously regularly filed an application for a patent for the same invention in a foreign country which affords similar privileges shall have the same effect as the same application would have if filed in this country on the date on which the application for patent for the same invention was first filed in such foreign country, if the application in this country is filed within twelve months from the earliest date on which such foreign application was filed; but no patent shall be granted on application for patent for an invention which has been patented or described in a printed publication in any country more than one year before the date of the actual filing of the application in this country, or which had been in public use or on sale in this country more than one year prior to such filing.

35 U.S.C. § 120. BENEFIT OF EARLIER FILING DATE IN THE UNITED STATES.

An application for patent for an invention disclosed in the manner provided by the first paragraph of section 112 of this title in an application previously filed in the United States, or as provided by section 363 of this title, by the same invention shall have the same effect, as to such invention, as though filed on the date of the prior application, if filed before the patenting or abandonment of or termination of proceedings on the first application or on an application similarly entitled to the benefit of the filing date of the first application and if it contains or is amended to contain a specific reference to the earlier filed application.

35 U.S.C. § 112. SPECIFICATION (Applicable Portion)

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make the use the same, and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor by carrying out his invention.

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctively claiming the subject matter which the application regards as his invention.

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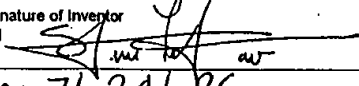
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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true that all statements made on information and believe are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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In re application of: Steve Ingistov

Serial No. : 08/892,738

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Group Art Unit: 3401

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Title : TURBINE POWER PLANT HAVING MINIMAL-CONTACT BRUSH
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REVOCATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Watson Cogeneration Company is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the subject application by an assignment recorded August 1, 1996 at Reel 8093, Frame 0212.

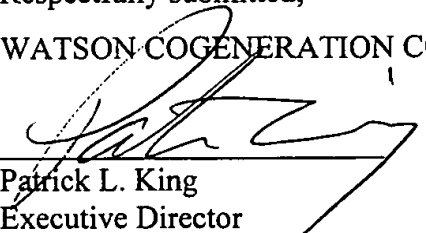
The undersigned authorized representative of the Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified patent application hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney given in said application and appoints Albert C. Mettrailer, Registration No. 22,714; Steven J. Funk, Registration No. 35,875; John L. Wood, Registration No. 32,183; Rodney B. Carroll, Registration No. 39,624; and F. Lindsey Scott, Registration No. 26,230, as attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute said application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection with said application and to receive any patent issuing thereon.

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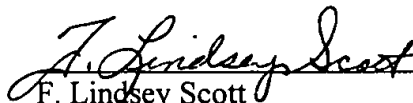
APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

The undersigned principal attorney in the subject application hereby appoints Michael W. Piper, Registration No. 39,800 as associate attorney in the subject application with full authority to prosecute the application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the application and to receive any patent issuing thereon.

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by Steve Ingistov

☐ executed on even date herewith or

☒ having Serial No. 08/656,564, filed May 31, 1996,

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I, the undersigned, declare that I am the (an) owner of the above-identified application, or if the owner is a corporation, partnership or other association, I am authorized to make this appointment on behalf of the owner, and I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and believe are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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x July 25, 1996